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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Marion DETERT, et al.
SERIAL NO. : To Be Assigned
FILED : Herewith
FOR : SULFONATED COMB POLYMERS AND
PREPARATIONS, IN PARTICULAR HAIR COSMETIC
PREPARATIONS, BASED ON SUCH SULPHONATED
COMB POLYMERS
ART UNIT : To Be Assigned
EXAMINER : To Be Assigned

April 19, 2001

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 5 as follows:

5. Hair-treatment compositions with an effective content of one or more comb polymers according to Claim 1.

REMARKS

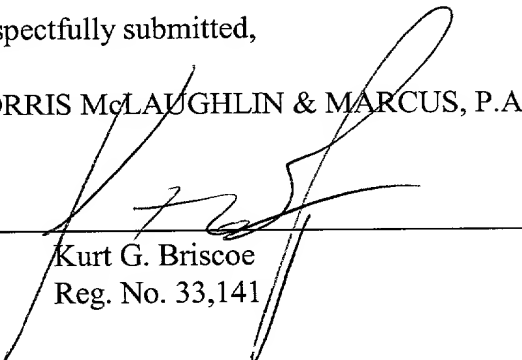
The foregoing amendment serves to eliminate multiple dependency.

Early and favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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**MARK-UP SHOWING THE CHANGES MADE IN THE PREVIOUS CLAIM TO YIELD
THE CLAIM AS AMENDED ABOVE**

5. Hair-treatment compositions with an effective content of one or more comb polymers according to [one of Claims 1 - 4] **Claim 1**.